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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Martin LEE et al.

Application No.: 09/773,818

Filed: February 2, 2001

For: AIR BEARING ASSEMBLY

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) Group Art Unit: 2851
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) Examiner: H. Nguyen
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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL

In reply to the final Office Action mailed October 26, 2004, Applicants propose amending the above-identified application as follows:

Please amend the claims as indicated in the **Amendments to the Claims** section, which begins on page 2 of this Amendment After Final.

Remarks begin on page 9 of this Amendment After Final.